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ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND METHOD OF KEEPING THE

ELECTRIC VEHICLE AT SHOPPING DISTANCE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

## **Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior to the examination of the application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

(A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.)

3. (Amended) An electric vehicle according to claim 1, wherein when the brake pedal is stepped on under a condition that the vehicle body is at a stopping position by the rotating torque of the electric motor, the rotating torque is decreased and a quantity of motion of the electric vehicle is measured, and the electric vehicle is again brought at the stopping position by the rotating torque when said quantity of motion exceeds a preset value.

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